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**UTILITY
PATENT APPLICATION
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(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR
1.53(b))

Attorney Docket
No. P02,0077

First Named Inventor or Application Identifier

Volker Hohmann et al,

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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. Specification [Total Pages 15]
 2. Drawing(s) (35 USC 113) [Total Pages 2]
 3. Declaration and Power of Attorney [Total Pages 3]

- a. Newly executed (Original copy).
 b. Copy from prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))
(for continuation/divisional with Box 14 completed)

[Note Box 4 Below]
 DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)
 Signed statement attached deleting
 Inventor(s) named in the prior application,
 see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

Incorporation By Reference (usable if Box 3b is checked)
 The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a
 copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 3b,
 is considered as being part of the disclosure of the
 accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by
 reference therein.

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

5. Assignment Papers (cover sheet & documentation)
 6. Letter under 37 CFR 1.41(c).
 7. English Translation Document (*if applicable*)
 8. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449
 9. Preliminary Amendment
 10. Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)
(Should be specifically itemized)
 11. Small Entity Status (37 CFR 1.27)
 12. Certified Copy of a Priority Document(s) German
 Application No. 101 10 258.5 filed March 2, 2001
 13. Other: _____

Copies of IDS
Citations

14. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information:

Continuation Divisional Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No: /

CLAIMS AS FILED

	(1) FOR	(2) NUMBER FILED	(3) NUMBER EXTRA	(4) RATE	(5) BASIC FEE \$740.00
TOTAL CLAIMS	20	16			
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	3	2			
ANY MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS? () YES (X) NO					
				TOTAL FILING FEE ->	\$740.00

- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required in connection with this application, or credit any overpayment to ACCOUNT NO. 501-519. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- A check in the amount of \$ 740.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

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RE: Proposed Patent Application for Volker Hahmann, et al., entitled:
Method for the Operation of A Hearing Aid Device or Hearing Device
System as well as Hearing Aid Device or Hearing Device System
Attorney Docket No. P02,0077

Sir:

Under the provisions of 37 CFR §1.41 (c), I am filing the attached application with 16 claims, 2 sheets of drawings and filing fee on behalf of VOLKER HAHMANN, et al. and request that the application papers be assigned a serial number and filing date.

On behalf of the Inventor(s) I hereby claim priority from German application No. 10110258.5, Filed March 2, 2001.

I request that the application be assigned a Serial No. and Filing Date pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR § 1.53(b) and 37 CFR § 1.53(f).

Respectfully submitted,

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